Washington, DC – Today, Congressman Bruce Braley (IA-01) released the following statement on Cinco de Mayo:

"On May 5th in 1862, a small band of determined Mexican soldiers defeated a well-equipped invading army. That battle in the city of Puebla is now celebrated as a symbol of patriotism and liberty. Those are values that all Americans share and treasure. On this day, I salute the Mexican-American community in Iowa and around the country for their contributions to our great nation. I hope all Iowans will join me in celebrating Cinco de Mayo. ¡Feliz Cinco de Mayo!"